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# News Release

## **ICE ARRESTS MAN WANTED FOR HOMICIDE IN GUATEMALA**

SIOUX CITY, Iowa—U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) special agents here arrested an illegal alien yesterday who is wanted for homicide in Guatemala.

Edgar Noel Avila-Escobar, 34, had been living in Sioux City under a false identity, using the name Juan Manuel Orona.

“We are committed to restoring integrity to our legal immigration system,” said Resident Agent-in-Charge Bruce Boehrns of the Sioux City ICE office. “We also work closely with law enforcement agencies from throughout the United States, and throughout the world, to apprehend fugitives from justice.”

The U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Northern District of Iowa has agreed to criminally prosecute Avila-Escobar for fraud and misuse of government documents. If convicted of those charges, he will first serve any resulting prison sentence. Afterward, he will be turned over to ICE and placed in removal proceedings for deportation into the custody of Guatemalan authorities.

Avila-Escobar is scheduled to be arraigned in federal court today.

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